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Subject: Comment on Microsoft Settlement

Dear Sir,

I understand that negotiations over the Microsoft antitrust suit are at a critical pass. Please accept my comment as follows:

Microsoft has already agreed to hide its Internet Explorer icon from the desktop; the fact is, this case against Microsoft is little more than "welfare" for Netscape and other Microsoft competitors, with not a nickel going to those supposedly harmed by Microsoft: the computer user.

"This is just another method for states to get free money, and a terrible precedent for the future," states the Association Of Concerned Tax Payers, "not only in terms of computer technology, but all sorts of innovations in the most dynamic industry the world has ever seen."

This economically-draining witch-hunt has gone on long enough. The average computer user has actually benefited by Microsoft creativity and productivity. The original settlement sounded fine. Do not force Microsoft to give anything more to Netscape or any other competitor or state governments.

Sincerely,

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